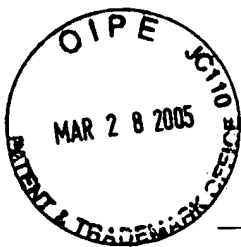


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PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

Sir:

Prior to Examination on the merits, please amend the above-identified application
as follows: